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SUBJ: COMMENTS OF LUIS MOREL, COMMUNIST LABOR LEADER

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1. IN AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED BY TIEMPO JUNE 7, LUIS MOREL, THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNIST BEER AND SOFT DRINK WORKERS UNION, STIBYS, CALLED FOR A NEW RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE GOH AND THE FRUIT COMPANIES. MOREL CALLED FOR A REVIEW OF THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF CONCESSIONS AND FOR THE EVENTUAL TRANSFER OF ALL COMPANY INSTALLATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT.

2. IN COMMENTARY ON THE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW MOREL SAID THAT THE BEST PART OF THE LAW IS THE "EMPRESA ASOCIATIVA" (ASSOCIATE ENTERPRISE) CONCEPT THAT WILL FORM VIABLE UNITS OF PRODUCTION. HE ADDED THAT THE "EMPRESAS" WILL FORTIFY RATHER THAN WEAKEN THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATIONS (I.E. ANACH AND UNC). MOREL BLAMED THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR FREE LABOR DEVELOPMENT (AIFLD) FOR DECEIVING THE CAMPESINOS WHEN THEIR REAL INTERESTS ARE SUPPORTED BY THE "EMPRESAS ASOCIATIVAS".

3. MOREL SAID THAT THE CURRENT ATTACKS UPON THE NATIONAL AGRARIAN INSTITUTE (INA) WERE THE LOGICAL POSITION OF THE LAND-OWNING CLASS. HE ADDED THAT THE WORKING CLASS  
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UNCONDITIONALLY SUPPORTS INA AND ITS DIRECTOR, LT. COLONEL MARIO MALDONADO.

4. COMMENT: THIS IS AT LEAST THE SECOND DIRECT ATTACK BY

COMMUNISTS (SEE REFTTEL) AGAINST AIFLD ON THE AGRARIAN REFORM QUESTION. THE COMMUNISTS PROBABLY SUPPORT THE "EMPRESA ASOCIATIVA" IDEA BECAUSE IT FORMS THE CAMPESINOS INTO GROUPS WHICH WOULD BE MORE FERTILE GROUND FOR COMMUNIST ORGANIZERS. BY PUBLICALLY ATTACKING AIFLD ON THIS QUESTION, THEY ARE APPARENTLY TRYING TO CREATE ENOUGH RANK AND FILE PRESSURE TO CAUSE A CLOSE AFFILIATION WITH AIFLD TO BE POLITICALLY RISKY FOR ANACH LEADERS AND TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR INA. WITHOUT AIFLD TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ANACH'S SURVIVAL WOULD BE UNCERTAIN.  
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